

**Connellsville City Council MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 18, 2022**

This meeting of the Connellsville City Council was held this evening at 6:00 PM. Attending this meeting was Mayor Lincoln, Council members Keedy, Topper and Tiberio. Also attending was City Clerk Ohler and Solicitor Witt.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Pastor Don Smith led invocation

**Resolution No. 1-11-22:** "To appoint Tom Karpiak as City Council Member; term to expire the first Monday in January 2024."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Topper and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. Councilwoman Tiberio abstained. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**JUDGE RONALD HAGGERTY, JR. GAVE THE OATH OF OFFICE:** Tom Karpiak as Councilman

Councilman Karpiak then took his seat at the City Council table.

**Resolution No. 1-12-2022:** "To make a motion to appoint Tom Karpiak as Director of Public Health and Safety."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Mayor Lincoln moved that City Council go into Executive Session for employee related topics.

Councilman Keedy seconded the movement.

Movement was unanimous.

Executive Session was held from 6:12 PM until 6:40 PM.

**REMARKS FROM VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Pastor Smith noted Saturate Connellsville came from a program Saturate USA. He further explained they will be hanging door hangers on the houses in the city. He stated in the bag will be a flyer of the church, a DVD which explains how to accept Christ and a booklet for spiritual laws. He noted they will hang it on the door and keep going without knocking or soliciting. He added that every person hanging them will have a name tag.

Pastor Matt Goldsberry added this will highlight the churches. He noted this will be done throughout a period of time rather than a day.

Mayor Lincoln requested they notify the city before they go out to place the door hangers so the Police Department and residents can be notified of what is going on.

Pastor Smith stated to sum it up in a few words, "Unity for the Community." He added they are looking at April to begin passing out the door hangers.

Pastor Goldsberry thanked the City and Public Works for all the hard work during the winter storm.

Toni Colland, Diversity and Inclusion Board, Requested City Council change the location of the Juneteenth Celebration from Yough Park to the East Side Fire Hall.

Mayor Lincoln stated that would work since the street can be closed and the fire hall completed by then. He added they will change the resolution to read East Side Fire Hall.

**CITY TREASURER'S REPORT:** Marily Weaver

**CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT:** William Addis

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

New Haven Hose, Neon Nights 5K, May 7, 2022, 8:30 PM

**Resolution No. 1-13-2022:** "To close the following streets beginning 8:30 PM on May 7, 2022 for the New Haven Hose Neon Nights 5K: South 7th Street to West Crawford Avenue, right onto South Arch Street then left onto West Green Street and straight onto East Green Street, right onto Sycamore Street then right onto Davidson Avenue, right onto Race Street then left onto East Green Street, straight onto West Green Street, right onto South Arch Street then left onto West Crawford Ave and left onto South 7th Street; pending review and approval of the Police Chief and Fire Chief."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Toni Colland, Diversity and Inclusion Board, Juneteenth Celebration, June 18, 2022

**Resolution No. 1-14-2022:** "To grant permission to the Diversity and Inclusion Board to use East Side Fire Hall on June 18, 2022 for the Juneteenth Celebration; further granting use of the PA System and permitting the Public Works Department to deliver PA System and chairs to the event and prepare the fire hall as requested on Utilization Form."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

## **REGULAR AGENDA:**

**Resolution No. 1-15-2022:** “To approve the minutes from the December 21, 2021 City Council Meeting.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-16-2022:** “To approve the minutes from the December 28, 2021 City Council Meeting.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-17-2022:** “To approve the minutes from the January 3, 2022 City Council Meeting.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-18-2022:** “To waive the Four-Day Resolution Rule to allow for items submitted after the Four-Day Rule to be read at the meeting tonight, such Resolutions will be marked with an asterisk.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

## **MAYOR LINCOLN:**

Police Department Report

Mayor Lincoln questioned Chief Hammerle as to how it works when a snow storm is getting bad and Public Works needs to be called in to begin clearing the roads. He also asked if there is a written rule in place or common courtesy that the police call the Public Works Department to come out and clear roads.

Chief Hammerle replied he has a notice hanging on a door for all the officers to see and they contact the Street Foreman and let him know when the roads are getting bad. He added if they cannot reach the foreman, they call everyone down the line until they reach someone. He clarified they call 911 and then 911 will call the Public Works Department out.

**Resolution No. 1-19-2022:** “To reappoint Robert Lubic to the Redevelopment Authority, term to expire January 2027.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-20-2022:** “To reappoint Nick Tzan to the Connellsville Planning Commission; term to expire January 2026.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-21-2022:** “To reappoint Denise White to the Connellsville Planning Commission; term to expire January 2026.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-22-2022:** “To reappoint Kara Addis to the Connellsville Zoning Board; term to expire January 2026.”

Mayor Lincoln announced there is one vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board. He noted it is a very important board in the city and requested anyone interested who lives in the city to submit a letter of interest to the City Clerk before the next meeting

Councilwoman Tiberio stated the Zoning Board is a very important board and noted last week a variance was granted for additional storage sheds on Pittsburgh Street. She added she was disappointed that it was proposed and shocked that the variance was granted because “I don’t believe that was something that the Zoning Board should have ever considered.” She stated that she is voting no.

Councilman Topper questioned since this was a Redevelopment Authority thing and a covenant within the grant that was given upon the property.

Councilwoman Tiberio answered no and there are two separate issues. She added the Redevelopment Authority did lend them money to complete a project and demolition.

Councilman Topper asked Solicitor Witt if they can have this discussion.

Solicitor Witt stated they cannot take action on it but may discuss it.

Councilwoman Tiberio explained there was a proposal and a demolition and there was a stipulation not to have storage units. She added once they pay off their loan, they will be cut loose from the Redevelopment Authority. She stated the point is when the storage sheds first went in, there was

outrage about that and then zoning was put into place to ensure that would not happen in the downtown corridor. She noted that here we are again.

Councilman Topper stated that it is not really a Redevelopment Authority issue then. He added that his question is "Did anybody from the Redevelopment Authority come to the Zoning Board Meeting?"

Councilwoman Tiberio replied that she called in because she was out of town. She stated again that there are two separate issues.

Councilman Topper clarified that her issue is the variance first.

Councilwoman Tiberio replied that it is the variance which is City and questioned if they want that in their downtown corridor. She explained that it was proposed and went through quickly when the city should have put the breaks on and tried to stop it.

Councilman Topper questioned Tom Currey if there is a wait before something can be voted on. He also questioned if the plans were given the same day as the Zoning Hearing and how did they know to have the Zoning Hearing? He stated they only meet when there is a variance to be discussed. He also questioned if that was the only reason that they were meeting.

Councilwoman Tiberio answered the Zoning Board had met over the Campbell Estates as well.

Tom Currey answered Councilman Topper the Zoning Board met over Campbell Estates as well.

Councilman Topper again questioned Tom Currey as to when the plans for the storage were submitted.

Tom Currey replied possibly four weeks.

Mayor Lincoln clarified that the City had the plans for four weeks but they were not given to the Redevelopment Authority until the day of the hearing.

Tom Currey replied, "Yes, because Mike (Redevelopment Authority) asked me to take a picture and send them up, so I took a picture and sent them up."

Mayor Lincoln addressed Councilwoman Tiberio "Just so you know there would be no reason why Tom would take those and send them to the Redevelopment Authority."

Councilwoman Tiberio stated her issue is just city related. She added she will deal with Redevelopment Authority when they meet about that. She added the city needs to be concerned about this as it is a slippery slope. She added "If every single empty lot now gets storage units, you know, that is a concern."

Tom Currey replied that is fair and explained zoning in general, there is not a precedence set by each case. He added each case is a unique and individual case. He explained just because you grant one variance, doesn't mean you will grant the next one.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated she does not know of anybody who came to the Zoning Board in the last few years that have ever not gotten the variance.

Tom Currey corrected Councilwoman Tiberio stating there has been two.

Councilwoman Tiberio replied she stands corrected.

Mayor Lincoln added one was trying to put a billboard at Yough Park.

Tom Currey stated the other was trailers.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated "We need to be better than that and promote more than storage units. Especially in the downtown corridor."

Mayor Lincoln stated the Means family is going to put storage units along 201 across from Martins.

Councilwoman Tiberio questioned if they need a lot of variances as well.

Tom Currey replied that he has not seen the plans yet.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated "Again, but they need variances for it to happen."

Tom Currey stated "It depends on what they submit." He explained, "In general and theory – the use of self-serve storage units in the corridor that is C2 Commercial Zoning District on 119 is a permitted use." He noted that he cannot stop them from doing it.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated "Right, but this case on Pittsburgh Street it was C1."

Tom Currey answered "It was C1 and not permitted in that zoning area."

Councilwoman Tiberio stated "And now it is because they got the variance."

Tom Currey replied "No, they are not...just that one specific lot."

Councilman Topper questioned if that is the lot for sale.

Councilwoman Tiberio answered yes.

Councilman Topper stated that is the same with the lots on the west side. He added they attempted to sell it for years and no one wants it. He explained that the property owner has to make a decision to sit on the property forever and ....

Councilwoman Tiberio "I agree..."

Councilman Topper "That is where I think..."

Councilwoman Tiberio continued "I think that is where you need to balance."

Councilman Karpiak stated the red flag for him was what the Redevelopment Authority did without the approval of all the board or some of the board or did they need an approval. He questioned if Tiberio was opposed to that money being given out.

Councilwoman Tiberio answered she was not opposed because it was going to be used for demolition. She added it was a condemned building going to fall down. She added it was going to be store fronts or office space.

Councilman Karpiak noted it was demolished a long time ago.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated they received a five-year interest free loan. She added they do not dictate or watch them for five years. She also added they should come to the Redevelopment Authority out of respect to deviate from their proposal.

Councilman Karpiak said that Michael (Redevelopment Authority) probably knows all the variances needed on something like that and if he is still ok with it and that is kind of.....

Councilwoman Tiberio answered the variance was there and everyone felt comfortable there would not be storage units because it was zoned not to have them. She added now suddenly it changed.

Councilman Karpiak questioned if it is possible that Michael didn't know about the storage units.

Councilwoman Tiberio answered that Michael knew there was a meeting for zoning about storage units because she contacted him.

Councilman Topper stated Michael found out that day.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated he got the drawings the day of the meeting.

Tom Currey stated when the ad went out to the paper was two weeks before the meeting and then he asked about it. He added it was two weeks before the meeting.

Councilman Keedy recommended for the future that if drawing are here four weeks prior to the meeting maybe an email can be sent to everyone. He added "I think it is when it hit the paper is when I found out there was a zoning thing."

Tom Currey questioned if the City Clerk sent out a text.

City Clerk Ohler answered he texted Council before the meeting was publicized.

Councilwoman Tiberio questioned when there is something of this magnitude, shouldn't Council weigh in.

Mayor Lincoln stated all of Council knew it was happening and could have attended.

Tom Currey stated he doesn't know when it will be a big issue. He added any variance that goes against the zoning ordinance itself is a big issue because you have to go to the Zoning Board to get it. He stated an example being a six-foot fence in a front yard may not be an issue with one person but is to another. Currey questioned if Tiberio understood. He added anytime he gets a variance, he will give her that information.

Councilwoman Tiberio questioned if he was around when they decided when the original storage units were put in, "That was prior to their being stricter zoning rules." She asked if he was there when they rezoned it.

Tom Currey stated when they built the original storage units, he was not here. He added in 2012 when they redid the Zoning Ordinance, he was here.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated that is one of the reasons it seemed to be important enough to put that in place that we didn't want that in the downtown corridor.

Tom Currey stated he did not ask.

Councilwoman Tiberio stated she is trying to figure out the timeline.

Councilman Topper asked if Council is allowed to discuss a cap. He questioned if they were discussing something similar with another property. He added they basically decided they were not allowing "any more".

Solicitor Witt added they should save it for another discussion when it is on the agenda. He clarified that Council have moved away to where it is not on the agenda.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. Tiberio voted nay. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.



**Resolution No. 1-23-2022:** “To reappoint Randy Strickler to the Connellsville Zoning Board; term to expire January 2027.”

Tom Currey stated the Zoning Board now needs an alternate. He added the problem is that when there is a conflict of interest and they lose a member, there are only four members and could have a tie vote.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper and Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. Tiberio voted nay. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Councilman Keedy questioned if the Zoning Board is the only board that you cannot be on any other board.

Solicitor Witt answered yes.

**Resolution No. 1-24-2022:** “To reappoint Richard Tiberio to the Board of Health; term to expire January 2027.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-25-2022:** “To reappoint Ken Brooks to the Senior Citizens Board; term to expire January 2027.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-26-2022:** “To reappoint Toni Colland to the Diversity and Inclusion Board; term to expire January 2027.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-27-2022:** “To reappoint William Addis to the Traffic Committee; term to expire January 2024.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-28-2022:** “To reappoint Tom Karpiak to the Connellsville Municipal Authority Board; term to expire January 2027.”

Mayor Lincoln asked Councilman Karpiak for an update.

Councilman Karpiak answered that it is up and running, they just got through the budget and it is chlorine free. He added that during the last storm, all the retentions works and nothing is getting into the river. He stated he questioned that since it is bigger and more efficient, shouldn't it be cheaper or the same. He noted their reply was possibly but doubtfully because it is bigger.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-29-2022:** “To accept the resignation of Dave Petrone from the Carnegie Free Library Board effective immediately.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Mayor Lincoln. Tiberio voted nay. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

#### **REMINDERS:**

Mayor Lincoln stated Central Fellowship is have a free lunch on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Chief Hammerle stated he wants to let them know that they made an arrest with someone going into the cars. He added that he is now in the Fayette County jail and that is all he can get into.

Mayor Lincoln announced that tomorrow at 5 PM at City Hall there is a meeting with Community Ministries and Highlands Hospital to discuss creating warming centers in the city for the homeless. He added he is hopeful they will find a resolution.

#### **KEEDY:**

**Resolution No. 1-30-2022:** “A Resolution of the City of Connellsville authorizing and approving the transfer of funds received by the City of Connellsville under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) amending Resolution No. 12-23-21; authorizing the expenditure of SLFRF for revenue replacement, legal expenses, and administrative expenses; authorizing the preparation and filing of necessary reports; acknowledging the use of SLFRF; and authorizing related actions.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Councilman Keedy questioned if this updates everything.

Solicitor Witt stated the final rule came out after the resolution at the prior meeting. He continued to make sure the City is not foreclosed from using its second allocation of funds later this year from revenue calculation, revenue loss and revenue replacement purposes. He noted they will not have to go through those calculation and this amends that and implements using that standard allowance which enables the city to use the full allocation without using those calculations.

Councilman Keedy stated there is an opening on the Library Board if anyone is interested, they can send a letter of interest. He added they meet the third Thursday of the month at the library.

**KARPIAK:**

Health/Code Officer's Report

Councilman Karpiak added he will be looking at the health of the population and health that could be had weather we are going to provide assistance for the elderly or other things that come to mind. He noted a lot of people don't get things because they cannot get there and he is going to look into that. He clarified he will be looking at health as much as he is code. Councilman Karpiak explained he had his eyes open this week with something that raises a lot of questions and explained it is a medication that is used for treating COVID. He stated he has five members of his family that all got COVID and he has to go to Canonsburg to fill a script and he would like to know why he had to go that far. He noted he is going to look into this.

Solicitor Witt left the meeting.

**TOPPER:**

**Resolution No. 1-31-2022:** "To adopt Bill No. 9 of 2021: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE, COUNTY OF FAYETTE AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, REGARDING ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PENNSYLVANIA UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE."

Mayor Lincoln stated he spoke with a new business owner who stated they had a lot of issues with UCC and are glad the City is taking it over.

Councilman Topper stated since Solicitor Witt left, he doesn't want to address the issue but this gives the City more control over UCC. He noted the city wants the businesses to be well prepared for what they are getting into. He added if you are buying a building, leasing a space, anything you are going to do, do your research and make 100% certain you fully understand all of this stuff they don't tell you about. He suggested people come to City Hall and talk to Tom Currey and whoever we go with for UCC in the future. He clarified there are rules in place.

Mayor Lincoln added the City's website has ordinances to view.

Tom Currey added there is confidentially and we do not talk about what someone questions and comes in here for. He clarified until plans are submitted, it is not open to the public. He added if you come in and ask questions, please do not think that we are going to turn around and tell someone else about it.

Councilman Karpiak added what he likes about this is it is not someone coming in here and dictating what they are going to charge.

Mayor Lincoln stated he likes having an appeals board.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-32-2022:** "To enter into an Agreement for UCC Services: between the CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, a third-class city and political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with an address at 110 North Arch Street, Connellsville, PA 15425 (hereinafter called "City") and William Whetzel, an adult individual with an address at 433 Allison Avenue, Allison, PA 15413 (hereinafter called "UCC Officer"). The City and the Independent Contractor are sometimes hereinafter individually referred to as a "Party," and collectively referred to as the "Parties."

City Clerk Ohler stated Whetzel has all the certifications but one, electric, and he has a guy for that.

Mayor Lincoln questioned if this could be added to the City's website.

City Clerk Ohler answered yes.

Mayor Lincoln added you will be able to go onto the City's website and see what the city does for permitting. He added the city is going to take over and do the permitting.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Councilman Topper discussed letters of Interest for the Appeals Board for the UCC Permitting. Engineering or Construction background preferred.

**Resolution No. 1-33-2022:** "To extend the lease between the City of Connellsville and the Connellsville Senior Tigers, six months, from December 31, 2022 to June 30, 2023."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Mayor Lincoln thanked Patty Pritts at the Sr. Center and stated she does an amazing job there. He added the Police Auxiliary is priceless.

Councilman Topper requested New Haven Hose's Report.

New Haven Hose Report read by William Addis.

Mayor Lincoln noted New Haven's fundraiser on February 5<sup>th</sup> in their Social Hall.

William Addis stated you can purchase tickets in advance and at the door. He stated you get one free drink with the ticket, there will be food and drinks available for purchase and music by Tim Litvin. He noted the cost of the ticket is \$10. He also discussed bingo at the hall and upcoming hoagie sales.

Mayor Lincoln stated there will soon be a link on the City's website to report a burnt-out street light. He explained that poles have tags with numbers. He added if you use this to report burnt-out street light, it will send an email to Shelley and we can immediately contact West Penn and let them know that light pole is out so it can be replaced sooner rather than later.

William Addis stated West Penn also has that on their page you can report that too.

Mayor Lincoln stated that we can then just share that link on the City's website.

#### **TIBERIO:**

#### Public Works Report

The following resolution was read and then tabled:

**Resolution:** "To approve a recommendation from the Traffic Committee to install a Loading/Unloading sign for Demuth Florists on West Peach Street at their rear entrance."

Mayor Lincoln stated this request came from the Traffic Committee. He added the State Government from time to time likes to make unfunded mandates where they force the local City Governments to do things at the City's costs. He noted the latest is that when they do these signs, we have to advertise it in the newspaper and spend that cost. Mayor Lincoln stated he is all for transparency but having to advertise this in the paper is insane.

City Clerk Ohler stated the city has to readjust the City's Ordinance because this is a finable offense.

Mayor Lincoln stated they have been discussing taking on this new expenditure and the person requesting the sign, should they have to pay for this by adding the cost to the cost of installing the sign. He added he feels that is how it should be because the city cannot afford this. He noted the City Clerk suggested we do these quarterly so it is all advertised at one time. He questioned City Clerk Ohler if the requestor can pay for the expense.

City Clerk Ohler answered there is nothing on the books to back that up.

Councilwoman Tiberio suggested tabling the resolution until Council decides what they want to do.

Councilman Karpiak stated they have been loading and unloading without a sign for 40 to 50 years.

**Resolution No. 1-34-2022:** "To approve a recommendation from the Traffic Committee to install "No Right Turn" signs when exiting the Dunkin' Donut's parking lot onto Highland Avenue."

City Clerk Ohler stated the ordinance will be introduced next month and then it will be 30 days after that for it to be enforceable.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-35-2022:** "To close Meadow Lane from Crawford Avenue to Orchard Alley each Sunday in June, July and August 2022 from 6:30 PM until 9:30 PM for the Lions Club's Summer Concert Series; pending review and approval of Police Chief and Fire Chief."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

**Resolution No. 1-36-2022:** "To submit a new Salt Contract Participation Agreement to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Cooperative Purchasing Program known as CO STARS enabling the City of Connellsville to participate in the Department of General Services statewide contract for sodium chloride for the August 2022 – July 2023 season."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Mayor Lincoln stated there is an opening on the Connellsville Housing Authority and thanked Bruce Jaynes for serving so many years. He added there are three openings on the Senior Citizens Board. He requested anyone interested in serving on the boards, please submit a letter to Shelley at [connellsvillesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:connellsvillesecretary@gmail.com) or Vernon at [connellsvillecityclerk@gmail.com](mailto:connellsvillecityclerk@gmail.com) .

City Clerk Ohler asked if January 27<sup>th</sup> works for everyone to meet with PennDOT at 3:45PM.

Mayor Lincoln stated they were to be in the City only until 3 PM and they have been there later causing an issue. He stated after three becomes rush hour traffic.

**Resolution No. 1-37-2022:** “That this meeting of City Council does hereby adjourn.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.